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1. ~~EGYPT-YEMEN~~: //HASIR HAS REITERATED HIS RELUCTANCE TO  
MAKE ANY RAPID LARGE-SCALE REDUCTION OF EGYPTIAN TROOP STRENGTH.  
IN ~~YEMEN~~ BUT HE HAS INDICATED SOME WITHDRAWALS MAY BE ORDERED BEFORE  
END OF YEAR.//

//DASER SAID ON 27 OCTOBER THAT THE NUMBER OF EGYPTIAN PRISONERS IN VIETNAM COULD BE REDUCED TO ABOUT 21,000 BY 1 JANUARY. HE INDICATED THAT EGYPTIAN STRENGTH BY EARLY NOVEMBER WOULD BE ABOUT 26,000. REPORTS INDICATE THAT STRENGTH MAY NOW BE ABOUT 26,000-30,000. THERE HAS BEEN NO INDICATION OF CHANGE IN CURRENT EVACUATION POLICY.//

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HASSAN AGAIN CONTENDED THAT A RAPID WITHDRAWAL WOULD PRECIPITATE A REVIVAL OF TRIBAL INSURRECT. HE SAID THAT IF HIS SUGGESTED REDUCTION WERE CARRIED OUT WITHIN SIX MONTHS THE PACE OF WITHDRAWAL COULD BE ACCELERATED. HE CLAIMED SOME SUCCESS IN HIS CAMPAIGN TO WIN TRIBAL SUPPORT FOR A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT BUT HIS DESCRIPTION OF THE MESSY POLITICAL SITUATION SUGGESTS THAT HE DOES NOT EXPECT ANY QUICK SOLUTION.//

//HASSAN INDICATED ANXIETIES THAT DELAY IN WITHDRAWING FROM THE SAHARA THREATENS HIS RELATIONS WITH THE US. HE ADMITTED THAT A CUTBACK IN US AID WOULD DISLOCATE EXISTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUT MAINTAINED THAT HE WAS READY TO FACE SUCH AN EVENTUALITY AND SAID HE HAD CONSIDERED ALTERNATIVES TO THE AID.//

3. MOROCCO - ALGERIA: ON THE EVE OF THE MEETING OF KING HASSAN AND PRESIDENT BEN BELLA IN BAMAKO BOTH STILL APPEARED INFLEXIBLE AND INTENT ON BUILDING UP THEIR FORCES.

INCIDENTS WHICH HAVE OCCURRED NORTH OF TINDOUF SUGGEST THAT MOROCCAN FORCES ARE POISED TO SEIZE THAT POTENTIALLY RICH MINING AREA HOWEVER UNLIKELY THAT HASSAN WOULD ORDER HIS TROOPS TO SEIZE TINDOUF WHILE HE IS MEETING WITH BEN BELLA. SHOULD THE BAMAKO

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TALKS FAIL MOROCCANS MIGHT MOVE TO ASSERT THEIR CONTROL OVER THE AREA.

2. DANOBY: THREAT OF SERIOUS CIVIL DISORDER HAS LESSENED FOLLOWING THE TRADE UNIONISTS' RELUCTANT ACCEPTANCE OF EX-PRESIDENT MAGA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE FOUR-MAN PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT HEADED BY ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF ~~SOGLA~~ <sup>SOGLA</sup>.

LABOR LEADERS HAVE SUSPENDED THE GENERAL STRIKE WHICH FORCED MAGA'S RESIGNATION FROM THE PRESIDENCY. DESPITE THEIR UNHAPPINESS AT MAGA'S RETAINING A ROLE IN THE GOVERNMENT, THEY APPEAR TO BE ELLIPTIC BY SOGLA'S ASSUMPTION OF THE TOP POSITION.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT WILL PROBABLY NOT DEVIATE SIGNIFICANTLY FROM THE PREDOMINANTLY PRO-FRENCH ORIENTATION OF MAGA REGIME. SOGLA, A VETERAN OF MANY YEARS SERVICE IN FRENCH ARMY IS REPUTED TO BE A CONSERVATIVE. JUSTIN ANCHADGORE WHO MAY EMERGE AS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL OF THREE CIVILIAN MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE PAST HAS SUPPORTED DANOBY'S TIES WITH FRANCE.

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THE MORE MILITANT LABOR LEADERS MAY SET DEMAND MAGA'S  
COMPLETE OUTLET IF DROPPED A STRONG REACTION CAN PROBABLY BE  
EXPECTED FROM NORTHERN THAISEEN WHO SUPPORT MAGA

THE UPRRAVAL IN DAHOMY WILL PROBABLY HASTEN GROWTH OF  
MAGATE, PARIS-ORIENTED AFRO-MALAGASY UNION IT IS LIKELY TO  
COMPOUND THE CONFUSION AND HESITANCY AMONG UAM MEMBERS WHICH  
RESULTED FROM THE REVOLUTION IN CONGO (BRAZZAVILLE) LAST AUGUST  
IT MAY ALSO STIMULATE LABOR LEADERS IN OTHER UAM STATES TO SEEK  
GREATER POLITICAL INFLUENCE (CONF.)

3. PAKISTAN-INDIA // MUTUAL RECRUTATIONS BETWEEN PAKISTAN  
AND INDIA ARE INCREASING TENSIONS ALONG CEASE-FIRE LINE IN KASHMIR //

// EACH GOVERNMENT NOW CLAIMS TO HAVE FIRM INTELLIGENCE THAT  
THE OTHER IS STRENGTHENING ITS FORCES ALONG THE LINE. UN OBSERVERS  
IN AREA CHECKING THESE REPORTS BUT NO ASSESSMENT YET AVAILABLE //

// REPORTS SUGGEST PAKISTANI MILITARY LEADERS ARE AGAIN GIVING  
SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO LIMITED PARAMILITARY ACTION AGAINST INDIAN-  
HELD PORTION OF KASHMIR SUCH REPORTS CANNOT BE ENTIRELY  
DISCOUNTED IN VIEW OF FEAR IN KARACHI THAT TIME IS AGAINST PAKISTAN

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ON THE KASHMIR ISSUE AND IN VIEW OF THE ~~INDIAN~~ <sup>IN</sup> ~~INDIAN~~ <sup>INDIAN</sup> KASHMIR PROPOSALS FOR FULLER ACCEPTANCE OF THE ~~INDIAN~~ <sup>INDIAN</sup> PORTION OF THE ~~INDIAN~~ <sup>INDIAN</sup> TERRITORY.

//AYUB REGIME CONTINUING CAUTIOUS BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES AND ITS CONCERN THAT LOCAL CLASHES MIGHT ESCALATE INTO BROADER MILITARY CONFRONTATION IN WHICH INDIA WOULD ENJOY A MILITARY SUPERIORITY //

4. ISRAEL-SYRIA START OF FALL FLOWING BY ISRAELIS IN SENSITIVE AREAS OF DEMILITARIZED ZONE HAS INCREASED PROSPECTS OF TROUBLE WITH SYRIA UN TRUCE SUPERVISION ORGANIZATION HAS YET TO GET THE TWO GOVERNMENTS TO AGREE ON THE PRECISE LOCATION OF A LINE SEPARATING AREAS OF PREVIOUS JEWISH AND ARAB CULTIVATION ~~( )~~

5. NOTE IN DIR 78509 PARA ONE SUBSTITUTE FOLLOWING FOR FIRST SIXTEEN WORDS / UAR PRESIDENT NASSER REPORTEDLY SAID EGYPTIAN TROOPS WHOSE ~~TOTAL~~ <sup>TOTAL</sup> STRENGTH EQUALED A DIVISION WILL BE SENT TO ALGERIA, //

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